

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-7 (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) A connector as claimed in claim ~~[[9]]~~11, wherein said ~~engaging portions~~ nibs of said first connector section are embedded in one piece and fixed in a base of said first connector section.

Claims 9-10 (Canceled).

11. (Previously Presented) A connector for connecting circuit boards with each other, comprising:

a first connector section disposed on a first circuit board and having contact terminals electrically connected to an electro-conductive layer of said first circuit board, and

a second connector section disposed on a second circuit board provided in relation to said first circuit board and having contact terminals electrically connected to an electro-conductive layer of said second connector circuit board with said contact terminals of said second connector being connected electrically to said contact terminals of said first connector section,

wherein when said first connector section is coupled to said second connector section, nibs of a fitting portion of a non-elastic metallic holding fixture provided in said first connector section, said fitting portion shaped to be bent so as to touch an inner surface of a recess in a base provided on said first circuit board, are latched with

projections provided on an inner surface of an elastic metallic holding fixture provided in said second connector section to hold said first connector section on said second connector section, said nibs projecting away from said first connector section, said first connector section having leg sections which are bent alongside of said contact terminals to be fixed to said first circuit board at both ends of said fitting portion and said second connector section having leg portions which are bent alongside of said contact terminals to be fixed to said second circuit board.

Claim 12 (Canceled).

13. (Previously Presented) A connector as claimed in claim 11, wherein a recess is formed for allowing a portion of an elastic piece being engaged in said second connector section to advance/retract at a base of said second connector section.

14. (Previously Presented) A connector as claimed in claim 11, wherein said non-elastic metallic holding fixture and said elastic metallic holding fixture are formed in a thin sheet-like form separately from a base for supporting said contact terminals in said first or said second connector section.